SENTENCING COMMISSION

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| Committee: | SENTENCING COMMISSION | | | | |
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| Date: | Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000 | Time: | 12:00 PM | Place: | Room 403 |
| Members Present | Camille Anthony, Paul Boyden, Blake Chard, Rep.Greg Curtis, Sam Dawson, Pete Haun, Rep. Neal Hendrickson, Julie Holbrook, G. Fred Metos, Joel Millard, John T. Nielsen, Reed M. Richards, Michael Sibbett, Sen. Pete Suazo, Russ Van Vleet, Judge Robert S. Yeates | | | | |
| Members Absent | David Bateman, Judge Judith Billings, Mary S. Corporon, Dr. Judy Engen, John Hill, Steven B. Kelly, Judge Tyrone Medley, Judge David Mower, Judge Sterling Sainsbury, Sen. John Valentine | | | | |
| Staff | Gary Franchina, Ron Gordon, Mike Haddon, Jo Lynn Kruse, Ed McConkie | | | | |
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| Agenda Item: | Welcome and Approval of Minutes | | | | |
| Notes: | John T. Nielsen welcomed and wished everyone a wonderful holiday season. Recognition and thanks were given to departing members Pete Haun and Reed Richards. Congratulations were also given to Re-elected Legislative Commission Members, Neal Hendrickson, Greg Curtis, Pete Suazo and John Valentine. Mike Sibbett motioned to accept the November minutes. Greg Curtis seconded and it passed unanimously. | | | | |
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| Agenda Item: | Future Meetings Agendas | | | | |
| Notes: | The January 3 rd meeting will be in room 403 at noon, however the February 7 th meeting will most likely be off the hill due to the Legislative Session. Details to follow. | | | | |
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| Agenda Item: | Final Legislative Recommendati Reed Richards and Ron Gordon | | cussion from A | anomalies Sub | ocommittee – |
| Notes: | Discussion started with options for adding aggravated kidnapping to the sex offender registry. The best option would be to leave it to the judges' discretion and the second option would be not to do anything and look at the whole issue over the next year and decide whether we want to go back to the more comprehensive change that would include other types of crimes. Blake Chard motioned to go forward with the second option and Paul Boyden seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The next bill discussed was the Criminal Sentencing Amendments Bill. Previously discussed was changing the term "life in prison" to "20 to life". There is a need to change all phraseology so it no longer reads capital offenses; instead it should say capital felony. There was discussion to amend the aggravated | | | | |

| murder statute in two ways: First, to specify prior convictions which allows murder | |
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| to be charged as aggravated murder. Second, to remove redundant language. Page | |
| 8 had two "ands" on line 209 (typographical error that needs to be corrected). | |
| Judge Yeates motioned to support the proposed legislation from the subcommittee, | |
| Chief Sam Dawson seconded and it passed unanimously. | |

| Agenda Item: | Draft Policy on Guidelines Tracking and Release of Information – Ed McConkie |
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| Notes: | A few months ago we had an update on the methamphetamine issue and as a result, the commission wanted to go forward and explore the possibility of a third matrix on the Adult Sentencing and Release Guidelines, a substance abuse matrix. The Governor's Task Force on DUI's unanimously recommended that the Sentencing Commission consider sentencing guidelines for DUI's. It deals with the misdemeanor issue. Salt Lake County's Criminal Justice Services, Adult Compliance & Education Center (ACEC), now under Gary Dalton's direction has contacted us also asking for misdemeanor guidelines. This item will be on a future agenda but should be carefully explored by the subcommittee that will review future guidelines. |

| Agenda Item: | Next Meeting |
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| Notes: | The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 3, 2001 at noon, room 403. |

Minutes prepared by Jo Lynn Kruse Executive Secretary CCJJ